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SUBJ: PRELIMINARY FRG REACTION TO OUTCOME OF CIEC
MINISTERIAL

REF: PARIS 16350

1. FRG OFFICIALS ARE FAR FROM SATISFIED WITH OUTCOME
OF CIEC MINISTERIAL, BUT ARE DETERMINED TO PUT THE BEST
FACE POSSIBLE ON IT, AT LEAST FOR PUBLIC CONSUMPTION.
IN A JUNE 3 STATEMENT, GOVERNMENT SPOKESMAN GRUENEWALD
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DECLARED THAT THE FRG WELCOMED THE FACT THAT THE
PARTICIPANTS HAD CARRIED ON THEIR DIALOGUE IN A SPIRIT
OF COOPERATION DESPITE SEVERAL DIFFICULTIES, AND THAT IT
HAD BEEN POSSIBLE TO AVOID A CONFRONTATION AFTER ALL.
IN GRUENEWALD'S WORDS, THE FRG SAW THE COMMUNIQUE AS
CONFIRMATION OF ITS VIEW THAT BOTH SIDES HAD MADE
ADVANCES IN PARIS, EVEN THOUGH THE EXPECTATIONS OF THE

PARTICIPANTS HAD CERTAINLY NOT ALL BEEN FULFILLED.

2. FOREIGN OFFICE ASST. SECRETARY LAUTENSCHLAGER EXPLAINED TO ECON/COMMERCIAL MINISTER THAT FOREIGN OFFICE HAD BUTTRESSED GRUENEWALD'S STATEMENT WITH A PRESS BACKGROUNDER STRESSING THE POSITIVE RESULTS OF THE NORTH/SOUTH DIALOGUE. FOREIGN OFFICE WORRIES ABOUT A STRONG PUBLIC REACTION MAY HAVE BEEN EXAGGERATED, HOWEVER. AFTER A SPATE OF ARTICLES APPEARED IN THE JUNE 3 PRESS DESCRIBING THE NORTH/SOUTH DIALOGUE AND THE MINISTERIAL ITSELF AS CHAOTIC, A FAILURE, AND CAUSE OF UTTER DISAPPOINTMENT, PRESS COVERAGE QUICKLY DRIED UP OVER THE WEEKEND.

3. IN COMMENTING ON CIEC OUTCOME TO EMBOFF, ECONMIN DEPUTY ASSISTANT SECRETARY MUELLER-THUNS SAID THAT THE ECONMIN WAS PLEASED THAT THE MINISTERIAL DID NOT END IN CONFRONTATION. HOWEVER, HE EXPRESSED DISAPPOINTMENT OVER FAILURE OF THE G-8 COUNTRIES TO GET A QUID PRO QUO FOR THE CONCESSIONS THEY MADE. IN ADDITION TO THE FAILURE TO OBTAIN AN ON-GOING ENERGY DIALOGUE, HE LISTED FAILURE TO OBTAIN WESTERN GOALS CONCERNING NATIONALIZATION AND ARBITRATION OF INVESTMENT DISPUTES, AND FAILURE TO OBTAIN ASSURED ACCESS TO COMMODITY SUPPLIES.

4. MUELLER-THUNS ALSO EXPRESSED MISGIVINGS ABOUT CONSEQUENCES OF AGREEMENT ON PRINCIPLE OF ESTABLISHING A COMMON FUND. HE FEARED THAT THIS AGREEMENT WOULD MAKE IT MUCH MORE DIFFICULT TO LIMIT THE COMMON FUND TO THE CONFIDENTIAL

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KIND OF FINANCIAL ARRANGEMENT WHICH THE GERMANS HAVE IN MIND, WHEN THE NEGOTIATIONS ARE TAKEN UP IN UNCTAD. FINALLY, HE EXPRESSED CONCERN ABOUT US CONGRESSIONAL REACTION TO THE OUTCOME OF CIEC. HE WONDERED WHETHER CONGRESS WILL APPROPRIATE \$375 MILLION FOR THE SPECIAL ACTION PROGRAM IF IT PERCEIVES THAT THE CIEC OUTCOME IS HEAVILY WEIGHED IN FAVOR OF THE G-19.
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